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(Kohler, Michael, ~~Kohler~~, Michael). born Georgia 1900: characterized as "intelligent, observant, cynical, shrewd but not vicious, vain, calculating, a gambler"; emigrated from Georgia with family 1921 to Istanbul; then on to Paris with Uncle Constantin KEDIA; 1934 received scholarship from oil magnate Choschtaria to study law in Germany; stayed on in Germany, then returned to Paris; sometime 1934 or 1937 started to court manufacture with his father in Paris; Fairly successful; joined I.D.A.'s Caucasus; 1934 - '39 inter-surface rivalry with SAMIT; established relations with German officials outside of Lebanon group; got behind-the-scenes support from Gregory Gaidas; immediately before war went to Berlin to combat influence of small group of Georgian Nazis living there; on return to Paris stopped Leusamine and had violent fight with him; when Germans arrived in Paris 1940, made director of Caucasian Migration; became leader of all Georgian relations with Germans; great organizer, reconciled all differences among Caucasians; anti-Menshevik but a good friend of J. J. Dulian who submitted to subject's overall direction during war; cooperated with Germans on sole basis that Germany is should help him to regain Georgian independence; used his influence to save J.D.A.M. group which was in bad spot because the had declared war on Germany, Lithuania, and USSR; saved Georgian Jewish emigres in Paris; For information on subject's activities with German intelligence thru. 1945, MSB,

KEDIA, Michael

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MGKA-16888, 4 April 1950: alias M. MICHAL, alias Michael KOHLER,

(full biography in Registry 200-7-13-8)

MSB-1465, March 1948: data on travels and finances.

RTI-W-225, 5 Feb. 1948: is reported to be attempting to re-establish a chain of agents & contacts in Turkey he used for collecting info on Russia during the war while he was working for the Germans. He also wrote a letter to Emile (?) saying Menagari & Alexander KANKEVA were his principle agents in Turkey.

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objectively. (See also 10-11-47, 10-12-47; see index, item on subject's post-war relations w/ Germany, Part II, news 1-27; Agent of German Govt sent to USA: also contact w/ USSR, and with U.S. of its emissaries with whom he met in U.S.A. in 1945-46; 1945-46 several meetings in Paris with Soviet German agent, i.e. still maintains relations with the Germans through wife of Michael BARTFELD, Nazi official who directed U.S.S.R. and Russia; attempting to renew all contacts and establish new ones with anybody; works with KOBANIDZE in Spain; KOBANIDZE (pro-Soviet) in Paris; has contacts in Germany; reportedly connected with British Spy; has been reported as having approached the Americans in Switzerland; subject receives financial support of 5.0 Swiss francs/month (\$100 plus) from Moscow (implied date): [] is in touch with Berlin: their comment on him is "the case of [] is becoming increasingly complicated."

One address given for subject (Sept. 1948) is:

Michael BARTFELD
1 Rue des Granges
Geneva, Switzerland
Believed to be living in Bern

NSC 971
Wife & Children in Paris & under complete control of KOBANIDZE; she
Oct 1947
mistress of Counselor of the Soviet Embassy Paris

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